--- 1/8th Pound - “Series of 1915” - 250 x 15 mm. - scanned at 67% scale ---

The catalogue lists the 250 x 15 mm. black, 1/8th pound “Series of 1915” strip as follows:

RP-771 - 1/8th pound, coarse roulette, with ***4½ mm. violet control numbers***
RP-772 - 1/8th pound, coarse roulette, with ***4½ mm. blue control numbers***

--- RP-771 - *coarse roulette* - *4½ mm. violet controls* - on wove paper with a distinct *horizontal* mesh ---

The collection ***does not contain*** a *dated* example of the 250 mm. 1/8th pound “Series of 1915” strip, with ***violet control*** numbering.

RP-771 - 1/8th pound, *coarse roulette*, control **0000000 -** with seven ***purple zeroes*** in each panel - 1915

RP-771 - 1/8th pound, *coarse roulette*, control **2753742**, with an unreadable cancellation

RP-771 - 1/8th pound, *coarse roulette*, control **3150497**, clipped at 9½ inches

0000000 ★	1915	RP-771	1/8th lb., coarse roulette, seven purple zeroes in the panels
2318996 ★		RP-771	1/8th pound, coarse roulette, with an unreadable purple roller
2355025		RP-771	1/8th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **1 / 10-D**
2753742		RP-771	1/8th pound, coarse roulette, with an unreadable cancellation
3150497 ★		RP-771	1/8th lb., coarse roulette, clipped to 9½ inches in packaging
8052175		RP-771	1/8th pound, coarse roulette, rollered TOBACCO / **30-17** from the “Eagle Tobacco Company”, Montreal.

--- The 1/8th Pound Tobacco ABN Die, Rolls and Plates for the “Series of 1915” ---

In a memorandum to *D. Sims, Esq.* (Deputy Minister of National Revenue, Customs and Excise) dated June 14th 1944, *L. A. White* and *C.R. Coombs* record the destruction of the American Bank Note printing rolls No. XG-274 and XG-276 for the “Series of 1915” one-eighth pound 250 x 15 mm strip. The document does not provide any information about the destruction of “Series of 1915” one-eighth pound plates. It does, however, list the defacing of Series “B” one-eighth pound plates - see the following:

In a similar memorandum, dated June 8th 1944, they record the destruction of plates No. 1, 2 and 3 for the one-eighth pound Series “B” tobacco strip. The rolls and plates were defaced, and subsequently delivered to the “Hull Iron and Steel Works” as scrap metal. [These 60 impression plates were probably arranged as 3 by (2 x 10) strips - JBH]

In the memorandum to *D. Sims, Esq.* (Deputy Minister of National Revenue, Customs and Excise) dated June 14th 1944, *L. A. White* and *C.R. Coombs* record the destruction of the ABN die [F-56] for the 250 x 15 mm. one-eighth pound “Series of 1897” tobacco strip. These paragraphs are taken from information supplied by Chris Ryan

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--- RT-229 - the 3 mm. red Roman overprint CANADA TWIST on the 1/8th pound RP-771 ---

Probably around 1923, **RP-771** was overprinted **CANADA TWIST** twice with 3 mm. Roman letters. The item has been catalogued in the CANADA TWIST section as **RT-229**.

RT-229/ RP-771 - 1/8th pound, *coarse roulette*, control **0051989**, stamped **CANADA TWIST** in 3 mm. Roman, Roller cancelled **TOBACCO / 40-17** by "J. Bachand", Montreal

RT-229/ RP-771 - 1/8th pound, *coarse roulette*, control **0104069**, stamped **CANADA TWIST** in 3 mm. Roman, Stamped ***Sample*** in cancellation panel

0051989 ★		RT-229 / RP-771	1/8th lb., coarse roulette, stamped **CANADA TWIST** twice
0104069 ★	1923	RT-229 / RP-771	1/8th lb., coarse roulette, stamped **CANADA TWIST** twice, stamped ***Sample*** in the cancellation panel

The copy stamped ***Sample*** probably dates from the time of the formation of the "Canadian Bank Note Company" in 1923. The earlier "SP" with the **0000000** controls likely comes from the Series introduction in 1915.

--- RP-772 - *coarse roulette* - *4½ mm. blue controls* - on wove paper with an indistinct *horizontal* mesh ---

The only *dated* example collected to date of the 250 mm 1/8th pound "Series of 1915" with ***blue control numbers*** comes from "Imperial Tobacco", Montreal, in September 1929.

RP-772 - 1/8th pound, *coarse roulette*, control **3084438**
Roller cancelled **10 - D** by the "Montreal Excise Office"

RP-772 - 1/8th pound, *coarse roulette*, control **9730007**
Stamped ***Sample*** in the cancellation panel

3084438 ★		RP-772	1/8th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **10-D**
4272235		RP-772	1/8th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **10-D**
5743655		RP-772	1/8th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **10-D**
6124492		RP-772	1/8th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **1-10-D**
8365113	09/29	RP-772	1/8th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **6-10-D / 929** **
9237752 ★		RP-772	1/8th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **1-18-E** on an un-priced package of **Buckingham - Pipe Tobacco - *in the box collection***
9730007 ★	1923	RP-772	1/8th pound, coarse roulette, stamped ***Sample*** in the cancellation panel

** The **Buckingham** strip has been clipped to 7½ inches by the manufacturer, in the packaging process.
** The earliest listed dated **RP-824** - the coarse roulette 1/8th pound **Series "A"** strip - is also from September 1929.

The copy stamped ***Sample*** probably dates from the the formation of the "Canadian Bank Note Company" in 1923. Thus there must be more than a single run through the control numbers.

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